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Amendments to Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1. -17 (canceled)
- 18. (currently amended) An isolated polynucleotide comprising
 - a) a nucleotide sequence encoding a potassium channel agonist having at least 95% sequence identity, based on the Clustal method of alignment, when compared to a polypeptide of SEQ ID NO:14; or
 - b) a complement of the nucleotide sequence of a), wherein the complement and the nucleotide sequence have the same number of nucleotides and are 100% complementary.
- 19. (previously presented) The polynucleotide of Claim 18 wherein the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide comprises SEQ ID NO:14.
- 20. (previously presented) The polynucleotide of Claim 18, wherein the polynucleotide comprises SEQ ID NO:13.
- 21. (currently amended) An isolated polynucleotide comprising
 - a) a nucleotide sequence encoding a potassium channel agonist having at least 95% sequence identity, based on the Clustal method of alignment, when compared to amino acids 6-45 of SEQ ID NO:14; or
 - b) a complement of the nucleotide sequence of a), wherein the complement and the nucleotide sequence have the same number of nucleotides and are 100% complementary.
- 22. (previously presented) The polynucleotide of Claim 21 wherein the amino acid sequence of the polypeptide comprises amino acids 6-45 of SEQ ID NO:14.
- 23. (previously presented) A recombinant DNA construct comprising the polynucleotide of Claim 18 or Claim 21 operably linked to at least one regulatory sequence.

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- 24. (currently amended) A transgenic cell comprising the recombinant DNA construct of Claim 23 wherein the cell is selected from the group consisting of an insect cell, a yeast cell, a plant cell, or a bacterial cell.
- 25. (canceled)
- 26. (previously presented) A virus comprising the recombinant DNA construct of Claim 23.
- 27. (currently amended) A method for transforming a cell comprising introducing into a cell the polynucleotide of Claim 18 or Claim 21 wherein the cell is selected from the group consisting of an insect cell, a yeast cell, a plant cell, or a bacterial cell.
- 28. (previously presented) A vector comprising the polynucleotide of Claim 18 or Claim 21.
- 29. (previously presented) An isolated polynucleotide that
 - (a) comprises at least 75 contiguous nucleotides and
 - (b) remains hybridized with the isolated polynucleotide of Claim 18 under a wash condition of 0.1X SSC, 0.1% SDS, and 65°C.